

THE LACLEDE BLADE

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Political Announcements

THE BLADE is authorized to announce THOS. J. AKINS, of St. Louis, a candidate for the office of United States senator, subject to the approval of the republican voters at the August primary.

THE BLADE is authorized to announce CHARLES K. HART a candidate for prosecuting attorney of Linn county subject to the approval of the republican voters at the August primary.

THE BLADE is authorized to announce GEO. W. ANDERSON a candidate for sheriff of Linn county subject to the approval of the republican voters at the August primary.

THE BLADE is authorized to announce FLO CARR a candidate for treasurer of Linn county subject to the approval of the republican voters at the August primary.

THE BLADE is authorized to announce WM. TRIPPEER a candidate for sheriff of Linn county subject to the approval of the republican voters at the August primary.

Benefits to Big Primary Vote

The republicans of the various counties in Missouri and especially the close and comparatively close counties like Linn, should realize that this is a republican year and that matters that for some years have been hopeless are worth fighting for now. The party has a chance to elect its local tickets in seventy-five counties of the state and portions of them in most of the rest. The first step is to give the party the confidence and prestige of a big party vote. If the republican vote shows up on August 1st larger than the democratic, it is going to spur the party with assurance and correspondingly depress the opposition. In this matter every republican can help by going to the polls, voting the republican primary ticket and in getting his republican neighbors to do the same. This is a matter of the utmost importance. Then see that a good, strong ticket is nominated. Name not only the very best men, but the very best runners, and then get behind them and boost every minute of every day until election. Strong men like Walter S. Dickey are going to pull the general party vote up if everybody does their duty.

House Cleaning Time!

The school year in Missouri closed on June 30th, with the school fund short nearly \$385,000, which sum will have to be made up out of the new year's revenue. In order that the salaries of the state university could be paid approximately \$83,000 had to be borrowed by that institution from the bankers at Columbia and now another \$50,000 is to be borrowed at Kansas City in order that University may have needed funds.

The state penitentiary has already borrowed over \$100,000 to meet its needs and now report has it that another \$50,000 is being arranged for. The finances of the state are in a muddled condition and it is practically impossible to secure a statement reflecting the real condition of the state treasury.

While the institutions of the state are crippled by the present administration and the proper funds denied them, the horde of democratic office holders and their families who are on the pay roll at Jefferson City have regular access to the state funds. A thorough house cleaning at Jefferson City is in order.

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AKINS TELLS WHY REPUBLICANS WILL WIN THIS FALL

Ground Swell of Victory Is Coming From the People, Says Candidate.

Thomas J. Akins of St. Louis county, Republican candidate for nomination for United States senator, is neither a corporation lawyer nor identified with any corporation, but he has a large following among the laboring men, manufacturers and merchants in the cities and also among the country people of Missouri. He was born and reared in this state, and was formerly a merchant and banker.

Mr. Akins is considered a very astute party leader. He served for years on the Republican state committee in Missouri, and also as national committeeman, and as such had a prominent hand in putting over several Republican winners.

Mr. Akins says it is a mortal certainty that the Republican ticket will be elected, and that this state also will be found in the Republican column this fall.

"I am very glad," said Mr. Akins, "that I was enabled to assist Mr. Frank H. Hitchcock at Chicago, being one of his two lieutenants at his headquarters, in the nomination of Mr. Hughes. The demand for Hughes came from the people, and that is what I believe in—letting the people make the choice. Nothing on earth could have stopped the nomination of the former justice."

"Never in the history of American politics has the office so clearly sought the man as in the case of former Justice Hughes, and in this connection I should like to have Missouri Republicans review an editorial from the Globe-Democrat in which this point was ably made. It is worth preserving:

"Against the wish of Charles Evans Hughes, without the slightest effort on his part to obtain the nomination, without an authorized leader working in his behalf, without an organization of any kind, with some of the most influential men in the country laboring against him, he is made the unanimous choice of the representative of the Republican party for the highest office in the land. It is a fact utterly without precedent since the rise of political parties in this country. Never before has the office sought the man with such persistency; never before has it had to overcome obstacles set up by the man himself or by the circumstances of his position. Nothing less than an absolutely overwhelming public sentiment in his favor could have accomplished this result; nothing less than a complete confidence in his ability, his integrity and his courage; nothing less than a profound conviction that Charles Evans Hughes was the one man fitted in every way for the present situation."

A Growing Demand.

"There should be good reason for such unanimity of popular opinion, particularly so when it is uninfluenced by personal appeal or partisan passion; and there is good reason. The public became aware of the qualities and abilities of Mr. Hughes through his conduct of the gas and insurance investigations in New York in 1905-06. The popular approval at that time forced him into the office of governor of the state after he had declined the nomination for mayor of New York City. He did not seek the gubernatorial chair. Then, as now, he felt that the call for his services, if his services were desired, should come from the people without solicitation. He was bitterly opposed by certain strongly entrenched political and corporate interests, but the people would have no other. Nor were the people mistaken in their judgment. 'No individual or group of individuals and no private interest will be permitted to dictate my policy,' he said when notified of his nomination for governor in October, 1906. 'I shall decide and act according to my conscience and as I believe the public interest requires.'

No Regrets or Doubts.

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